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15 March 1960

STAFF MEETING MINUTES - 15 March 1960

PRESENT: Col. Burke

Mr. Cunningham

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Col. Beerli

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Mr. Parangosky

1. DPD ACTION TO SPEED TAKE TO CONSUMER - As a result of comments made by Headquarters USAF (see Staff Meeting Minutes, 8 March 1960), a three-fold proposal has been agreed upon by DPD Branches to effect prompt delivery of all take. The three parts of the program are: (a) The Operations Branch will employ two C-47's to make certain that, upon arrival at port of entry (McGuire and Andrews Air Force Bases), the raw take will be transferred immediately to the Headquarters aircraft for direct transport to EK; (b) An Activity Program to cover refurbishing and re-equipping of EK has been prepared for approval of the DD/P. The new equipment is to replace old and worn articles that may have caused some of the degradation referred to in previous minutes; (c) A re-adjustment of priorities of delivery will be proposed. [REDACTED] indicated that until the recent incidents, the schedule had created no problem. He has prepared a recommendation for Mr. Bissell's approval which has been coordinated with PIC and [REDACTED]. It was determined that his next approach would be to the ARC and, following that, to other customers.

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ACTION: Operations Branch, Development Branch and SRS

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ACTION: Development Branch/[REDACTED]

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3. REPLACEMENT - A staff study recommending that replacements be limited to American personnel only has been forwarded to the DD/P for approval. The study was based on the desire of Mr. Bissell to weigh carefully the pros and cons of hiring [REDACTED] for this purpose. This paper is a keystone in the entire [REDACTED] replacement program, and as soon as the comments of the DD/P are received, action will be taken to begin recruitment.

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ACTION: Administrative Branch/[REDACTED]

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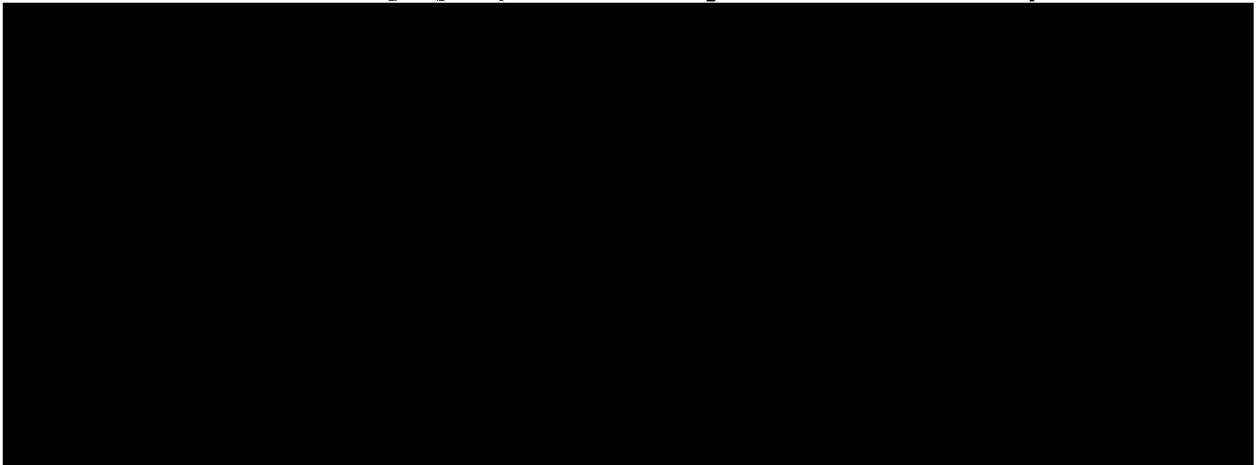
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4. DETACHMENT PERSONNEL STATUS - A cable has been forwarded to the field requesting that [REDACTED] confer on immediate requirements to determine what positions may have to be sent on a TDY basis by Headquarters. [REDACTED] pointed out that a reply to this message is not expected until the return of the two officers to [REDACTED] probably at the end of this week.

The following Agency controlled personnel are on duty with the

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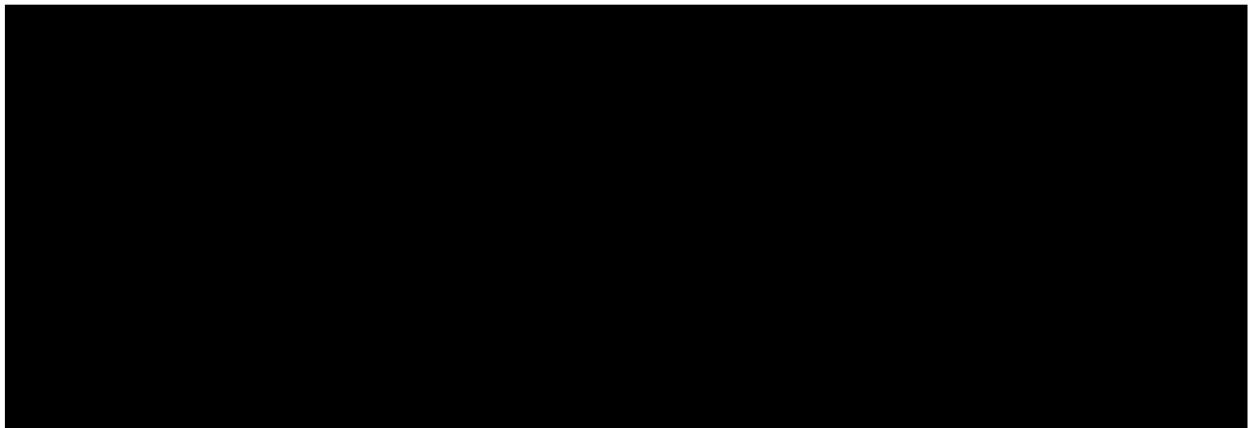
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We are waiting for information on the remaining [REDACTED] people (item b above) to see when they are rotating, and what qualifications are required in their replacements. [REDACTED] will bring this information with him upon his return to Headquarters.

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ACTION: Personnel Section

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c. A delay in rolling out the twin-engine Helio was experienced in order to give priority to the readying of the [REDACTED] The twin-engine aircraft is now expected to roll out 28 March and after one week of ground tests begin its air tests.

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ACTION: Development Branch, [REDACTED]

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6. [REDACTED] - To date nine [REDACTED] missions have been flown, seven of them successful, two returning due to weather. A total of [REDACTED] in the seven missions.

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7. IRAN U-2'S TO DETACHMENT C - During the period of 21 to 24 March two U-2's will come out of IRAN and be flown to Detachment C. Number 343 (without slipper tanks) is ready now and Number 349 (with slippers) will be ready at the end of the week.

ACTION: Operations Branch

8. U-2 FUEL CONTAMINATION - DET C - A series of messages was received at the end of last week and over the weekend detailing a problem of fuel contamination at Detachment C in both LF-IA and Mil Spec fuel. Action taken has been to authorize use of 2500 gallons of good fuel in the Detachment tank trailer and to conduct Koker tests on the remaining fuel. The results of the tests are expected today.

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ACTION: [REDACTED]

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9. DPD SAVINGS/DEFICIT STATUS - The paper prepared by [REDACTED] in coordination with the DPD Branches outlining the current saving/deficit status has been prepared and will be forwarded to Mr. Bissell this afternoon.

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11. TEST BED TO [REDACTED] - A preliminary ARC request has been received to dispatch to [REDACTED] the [REDACTED] The formal paper is expected on 16 March. The purpose of the proposed staging will be to participate in the [REDACTED] activities, in monitoring Soviet ICBM proving ground on the Kamchatka peninsula and, if need be, the Pacific area should tests be conducted there again. Determination will be made to configure other [REDACTED] as rapidly as feasible if additional Elint coverage by [REDACTED] based aircraft is required.

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All tests of the equipment installed in the test bed [REDACTED] have been completed.

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ACTION: [REDACTED] Operations Branch [REDACTED]

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12. TEST SNAKE - Principal activity of 12 and 13 March 1964 was
343 and 349 for deploying to Detachment C.

Dual oxygen seat pack testing continues.

ACTION: Operations Branch

13. COL. BEERLI, ACTING CHIEF IN ABSENCE OF COL. BURKE - Col. Burke announced that in view of the fact that Col. Beerli will replace him as Acting Division Chief in June a phase-in period will commence effective 15 March. During the absence of Col. Burke, papers requiring the Acting Chief's signature will be forwarded to Col. Beerli for action, and all Branches will consult with him on activities. Steps will be taken to have Col. Beerli designated an approving officer (for funds) with the same authority now held by Col. Burke.

ACTION: Administrative Branch

25X1A 14. [REDACTED] STATUS - [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED]
25X1C contingency plan has been rewritten to change the requirement for two C-54's
25X1C to four aircraft and to provide additional personnel required by the increase.
The revised plan was forwarded to NE Division on 14 March for concurrence.
Their comments are expected today.

25X1C NE has written a separate plan relative to the cost of prepositioning
of stores required in [REDACTED] operation. This plan points out that as long
as 48 to 72 hours are to be allowed for preparation the present positioning
of supplies will suffice. If, however, a striking force capable of being
launched sooner than the 48 to 72 hour period is required, it will be
necessary to supplement with Air Force lift at a cost of 5 to 7 thousand
dollars in order to preposition in a closer area.

25X1C The original [REDACTED] study produced a program for that country which
would provide nine aircraft over a stated period to fulfill the requirement.
Col. Burke indicated that a verbal answer to the study has been received
posing the question of whether three aircraft could do the job operationally
and how many would have to be supercharged equipped.

25X1A ACTION: DPD/Operations [REDACTED]

25X1A 15. CORONA - The next CORONA shot has been slipped from the 16th to
the 18th of March. This will be a camera launch and [REDACTED] will depart
for the coast this evening to monitor the installation of the camera.
The GRD launch is now scheduled for 24 March.

16. OXCART - The only recent development in OXCART was the awarding to
Minneapolis-Honeywell the contract for inertial navigation systems and auto
pilot controls.

17. OTHER ITEMS

a. Col. Burke announced that the Division had gone six weeks
without a Security violation, as a result, he felt, of the double-check

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He pointed out that the violation had occurred in a section which was not using the double-check system. He urged all Branch Chiefs to make certain that proper security procedures were being followed at the close of business.

ACTION: Branch Chiefs

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b. [REDACTED] indicated that the fuel controls which constitute an AOCF for Detachment B U-2C aircraft will leave Washington for Wiesbaden on 16 March. A courier will deliver them to the [REDACTED] station for reshipment to Detachment B.

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WILLIAM BURKE
Colonel, USAF
Acting Chief, DPD

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